



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Reissue Application of
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Masayoshi HIROSE et al.
) Group Art Unit: 3723
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) Examiner: R. Rose
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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

For: POLISHING APPARATUS

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 21, 1998, the period for response to which having been extended through May 21, 1999 by the concurrently-filed Petition for Extension of Time and fee, please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add the following new claims 44-48.

44. (New) A polishing apparatus for polishing a surface of a workpiece, comprising:

a turntable;

a top ring for supporting the workpiece to be polished and pressing the workpiece against said turntable; and

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